## News Release



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## **BRANNAN ISLAND KITE FESTIVAL ON AUGUST 11**

Brannan Island State Recreation Area - Enjoy the delta breezes by making and flying a kite at the annual Brannan Island Kite Festival. California State Parks, the Delta Natural History Association and Old City Kites are sponsoring the annual kite festival at Brannan Island. The event will take place on Saturday, August 11, 2001 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories. Kite making and decorating activities will be available. Kites and related items will be available to purchase.

Park entrance fee is \$2.00 per car. There is no fee to attend the festival. There is a contest fee of \$5.00 for those who wish to compete. Categories include largest, smallest and highest-flying kite. There is also a competition for best-decorated kites open to children in three age categories: under 5, 5-8 years and 9-12 years.

The Delta Natural History Association is a non-profit organization that supports State Parks educational programs which foster an appreciation for the natural and cultural history of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Old City Kites, which carries a huge variety of kites, toys and related items, is located at 1201 Front Street in Old Sacramento. Their web address is <a href="https://www.kitesatoldcity.com">www.kitesatoldcity.com</a>

Brannan Island State Recreation Area is located in southern Sacramento County on the Sacramento River. The park can be found on State Highway 160 about 40 miles south of Sacramento, four miles from Rio Vista and 14 miles north of Antioch. Picnicking, swimming, camping and boat launching are available at the park. Lifeguards are on duty at the swim beach from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

For more information call Brannan Island State Recreation Area at (916) 777-6671 or (916) 777-7701.

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